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## INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this leaflet is to name and give brief details concerning the descendants of the Rev. Darius Hoyt and his wife Lucy Maria Bogle.

So few of their descendants have copies of "The Hoyt Family" by David W. Hoyt, published in 1871, giving the ancestors of Darius Hoyt (above) on page 418 of that publication, we think it appropriate to give the genealogy herein.

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**JOHN HOYT** married Ruth; their son:

**SIMON HOYT**, born in Dorset County, England, Jan. 20, 1590, came to America in 1628-9 on the "Abigail" and was one of the first settlers of Charleston, Mass. He married in 1612 at Upway, England, Deborah, daughter of Walter Stowers. He moved to Stamford, Conn., and died there Sept. 1st, 1657. Their son

**WALTER HOYT**, baptized, County Dorset, England, June 9, 1616. The earliest record respecting him is at Windsor, Conn., where he was granted land in 1640. He was Deputy to the General Court for twelve years. He died in 1698. We do not know the name of his first wife who was the mother of:

**JOHN HOYT**, born July 13, 1644 at Winsor, Conn., died about 1711 at Danbury. His first wife, our ancestress, was Mary Lindall, whom he married Sept. 14, 1666, a daughter of Henry Lindall. Their son

**THOMAS HOYT**, born Jan. 5, 1674 at Norwalk, Conn., and died before 1749, married Anna. Their son

**COMFORT HOYT**, born Feb. 20, 1723-4, Danbury, Conn., died May 19, 1812, married in 1750 Anna, daughter of Daniel Beach. Captain of the Alarm during the American Revolution in the first company, 16th Conn. Regiment. Their son

**ARD HOYT**, born Oct. 23, 1770, Danbury, Conn., died Feb. 19, 1828, Willstown Mission, near Fort Payne, Ala. Married Sept. 12, 1792, Esther, daughter of Elijah Booth. Early in the year 1818 he and his family moved to Tennessee as missionaries to the Cherokee Indians, and there remained throughout his life. Their son

**DARIUS HOYT**, born Nov. 11, 1804, died Aug. 11, 1837, married Lucy Mariah, daughter of Robert Bogle, Mar. 3, 1827. He was ordained minister, and Professor of Greek and Latin at the Theological Seminary at Maryville, Tenn. After the death of her husband, Mrs. Hoyt and her children, as follows, moved to Atlanta, Ga.

1. Judge Samuel B. Hoyt, born Feb. 10, 1828.
2. Sarah Cornelia Hoyt, born Nov. 17, 1834
- ✓ 3. Darius Hoyt, born July 21, 1837.





**I. JUDGE SAMUEL B. HOYT**, eldest son of the Rev. Darius Hoyt and Lucy Mariah Bogle, was born in Blount County, Tenn., February 10th, 1828. The boyhood of Judge Hoyt was spent in his native state among the scenes which gave him to the world. He loved out of door sports and was celebrated for his wit and good humor.

From 1853 to 1855 he served as Justice of the Peace, was afterwards elected Judge of the "Old City Court" in Atlanta, Ga.

Judge Samuel B. Hoyt was married to Elizabeth Russell on November 17th, 1859.

During the war he was Commissioner of the Confederate States, a part of the time on the staff of Gov. Joseph E. Brown. From 1866 to 1867, he filled the position of City Attorney. Five years later he retired from active practice of Law. Judge Hoyt was for six years a member of the Board of Education of Atlanta. He was the first County Commissioner Fulton County ever had. Was State Senator for several years. Was also President of the Georgia Savings Bank for years.

Judge Samuel B. Hoyt died March 4th, 1894.

Children of Samuel B. Hoyt and Elizabeth Russell:

1. William Russell Hoyt, born Nov. 14, 1860.
2. Corrie Hoyt, born Sept. 27, 1866.

William Russell Hoyt, son of Samuel B. Hoyt and Elizabeth Russell, was married first, Feb. 9th, 1887, to Betty Patterson, of Staunton, Va. She died Sept. 6, 1904.

Their children are:--

William Russel Hoyt, Jr., born June 17th, 1888.

Margaret T. Hoyt, born Feb. 12th, 1890.

Samuel Brown Hoyt, born Nov. 3rd, 1892.

George Brown Hoyt, born July 6th, 1894.

William R. Hoyt, married, second, on Nov. 14th, 1905 Daisy Sherman, of Roswell, Ga. One child.

Elizabeth S. Hoyt, born Sept. 18th, 1906.

William R. Hoyt married, third, Louise Leland Ferris, May 30th, 1912. No children.

Children of William Russell Hoyt, Jr., who married April 6th, 1921, Gertrude Brenner, daughter of William Brenner.

Elena Sargent Hoyt, born April 27th, 1923.

Louise Leland Hoyt, born Feb. 28, 1925.

William Brenner Hoyt, born April 19, 1928.





Children of Samuel Brown Hoyt, who married November 1920, Virginia Brown.

Samuel Brown Hoyt, Jr., born March 20th, 1922.

Virginia Carlisle Hoyt, born March 20th, 1924.

William Russell Hoyt, III, born March 20th, 1924.

Children of George Brown Hoyt, who married September 1st, 1920, Mary Wills, daughter of John Wm. Wills.

Elizabeth Patterson, born Sept. 14th, 1921.

Corrie Hoyt, born Dec. 9th, 1930.

Corrie Hoyt, daughter of Samuel B. Hoyt and Elizabeth Russell, was married on Feb. 10th, 1887, to George M. Brown, son of Senator Joseph E. Brown.

Their children:--

Corrie Hoyt Brown, born March 1st, 1891.

Mary Brown, born May 24th, 1893.

George M. Brown, Jr., born March 1st, 1895.

Mary Brown, above, married Brooks Mell, on Nov. 17th, 1920 of Atlanta, Ga. She died March 4th, 1923. Had issue twins, Brooks, Jr., and George Brown who died in infancy.

George M. Brown, Jr., above, married April 11th, 1915, Harriet Caroline Briggs, daughter of Nathaniel Briggs, of Valdosta, Ga. Their children are:

George M. Brown, III, born March 7th, 1916.

Matt Briggs Brown, born Jan. 31st, 1920.

✓ **II. SARAH CORNELIA HOYT**, second child of Rev. Darius Hoyt and Lucy Mariah Bogle, was born in Maryville, Tenn., Nov. 17th, 1834, died Dec. 1st, 1916 in Atlanta, Ga. Married William Richard Venable, of Jackson County, Ga., March 2nd, 1851.

William Richard Venable was Clerk of the Superior Court of Atlanta for twenty years. Died Sept. 5th, 1873. He was deeply identified with all the interests of Atlanta. A newspaper says of him (at the time). "The life and character of Mr. Venable is too well known to require any lengthy comment from the pen. Rarely, if ever, have we known a man of more lovable disposition. His kindness and sympathy towards all are proverbial, and never has an object of charity been turned away by him without relief. He was emphatically the friend of everybody, and was one of the most popular men that





ever lived in this community, as is attested by his re-elections. We might safely say he was the soul of honor and integrity. Through the course of his whole life, of about forty-six years, he has never been known to utter a word, or be guilty of an action, which was even capable of reproach".

Had issue ten children:

1. William Hoyt Venable, born April 23rd, 1852. Carried forward.
2. Sarah Mariah Venable, born July 1854, died in March, 1857.
3. Samuel Hoyt Venable, born Sept. 27th, 1856. Residing in Atlanta, Ga., 1933. (Unmarried).
4. Walter Louis Venable, born Jan. 7th, 1859. (Unmarried). Died April 9th, 1926.
5. Arthur Orr Venable, born Feb. 3rd, 1861. Died July 29th, 1924. Married Blanche Beverly Cocke, of Fluvannah County, Virginia in May 1890. Carried forward.
6. Charlie Venable, born Sept. 23rd, 1863. Died July 11th, 1890. Married Aug. 1st, 1888, Sallie Adair. One child, Annette, who died young.
7. James Alexander Venable, born 1866. Died 1867.
8. Clarence Darius Venable, born Dec. 15th, 1867, died June 24, 1926. Married Mattie Reagin of Lithonia, Ga. Carried forward.
9. Leila Ella Venable. Born May 7th, 1870. Died Feb. 12th, 1920. Married Dr. James Nimmo Ellis of Richmond, Va., Feb. 12th, 1896. No issue.
- ✓ 10. Elizabeth Richard Venable, born Oct. 28th, 1873. Married Aug. 29, 1906, Frank Tucker Mason of New York City. Now residing in Atlanta, Ga., 1933. Carried forward.

William Hoyt Venable, eldest son of Sarah Cornelia Hoyt and William Richard Venable, was born in Atlanta, Ga., April 23rd, 1852, was baptized by Rev. John King in 1853. Graduated at Oglethorpe University, at age of twenty, also took graduate course in law; was married to Sallie Miller, of LaGrange, Ga., Dec. 15th, 1876.

William Hoyt Venable was senior member of firm of





Venable Bros., Atlanta, one of the largest and most successful companies in the State.

In 1895 became President of the Senate, where he presided with dignity and honor. By family and friends he was greatly beloved as a man of most noble impulses, generosity and tenderness, possessing great courage and perseverance. He met calmly such trials as came to him; he was quick to forgive and quick to forget a wrong, and he placed in those he loved, the simple faith of a little child. His untimely death on Sept. 1st, 1905 was mourned by a host of friends throughout the State.

Had issue four daughters:

- 1 Coribel, born Oct. 29th, 1877. Married first Dr. Arthur Bartlett Kellogg, of Hartford, Conn., Oct. 12th, 1898. Second, Mar. 26th, 1924, Priestly Orme.
- 2 Maud Gay, born Dec. 1880, died Nov. 6th, 1886.
- 3 Robert Ridley born Feb. 28th, 1883. Married first, April 5th, 1906, Austell Thornton. Second, Feb. 14th, 1915, Walter Gordon Roper.
- 4 Lucile, born Jan. 1st, 1886. Died Jan. 1st, 1887.

Children of Coribel Venable and Arthur Kellogg.

Sarah Dart Kellogg, born Jan. 10th, 1909. Married Feb. 16th, 1927 William George Hardin, one child. Coribel Orme Hardin, born April 12th, 1928.

Arthur Bartlett Kellogg, born Oct. 15th, 1916.

Children of Robert Ridley Venable and Austell Thornton.

1. Alfred Austell Thornton, Jr., born April 12th, 1907.
2. William Albert Thornton, born Sept. 15th, 1911.

Children of Robert Ridley Venable and Walter Roper.

3. Walter Gordon Roper, Jr., born Jan. 12th, 1917.
4. Tom Miller Roper, born Feb. 22nd, 1921.

Children of Arthur Orr Venable and Blanche Cocke:

1. Walter Orr Venable, born May 10th, 1891; married March 22nd, 1917, Irene Miller had a daughter, Beverly Blanche Venable, born Jan. 3rd, 1918.
2. William Hill Venable, born May 1st, 1894, married Elizabeth Cleveland, one adopted daughter, Mae.





3. Ronald Vernon Venable, born Sept.      , 1899, married Feb. 21st, 1931 Irene Wade, had one daughter Gussie.

Children of Clarence Venable and Mattie Raegan:

1. Richard Venable, born May 1st, 1892, married Martha Lee Humphries. No issue.
2. Walter Venable, born Oct. 27, 1895, died Nov. 2nd, 192. No issue.
3. Margaret Venable, born Sept. 5th, 1897, married Feb. 8th, 1912 Robert Langley: Five children.
4. Billy Venable, born April 4th, 1899, died July 15th, 1901.
5. James Venable, born Jan. 15th, 1901, married June 4th, 1932, Dothorea Burnes, daughter of Roy Burns.

Children of Elizabeth R. Venable and Frank T. Mason:

1. Leila Elizabeth Venable Mason, born Jan. 19th, 1909. Married Thomas Moorman Eldridge of Buckingham County, Va., Oct. 8, 1931.
2. Sam Venable Mason, born Nov. 27, 1911.

Children of Margaret Venable and Robert Langley:

1. Homer Langley, born Dec. 17th, 1912, died Dec. 28th, 1912.
2. Lucile Langley, born Dec. 14th, 1913.
3. Coribel Langley, born Aug. 23rd, 1917.
4. James Langley, born Oct. 20th, 1923.
5. Robert Langley, Jr., born Jan. 14th, 1927.
5. Leila Elizabeth Langley, born Dec. 27th, 1930.





III. **DARIUS HOYT**, youngest son of Rev. Darius Hoyt and Lucy Mariah Bogle, was born July 21st, 1837, was married to Harriet Boyce Carlisle, of Atlanta, Ga., on Nov. 3rd, 1869.

He was a member of the Third Presbyterian church, of Atlanta, Ga., having joined the church in 1875. He was an Elder in this church for a number of years.

Darius Hoyt was a faithful, kind and loving husband and father. He was a Mechanical Engineer, till the last year he lived, going in the Lumber Business at Buford, Ga., in 1902, where he died on May 18th, the same year.

Names of his children:

1. Sarah Lucy Hoyt, born Aug. 27th, 1870. Carried forward.
2. Mary Cornelia Hoyt, born July 19th, 1872. Carried forward.
3. Eddie Payne Hoyt, born Feb. 22nd, 1874, died May, 5th, 1876.
4. Samuel Bogle Hoyt, born June 7th, 1876. Carried forward.
5. Julia Britt Hoyt, born Nov. 24th, 1878., unmarried.
6. Darius Eugene Hoyt, born June 6th, 1880, died June 17, 1881.
7. Elizabeth Barrye Hoyt, born March 22nd, 1883, Carried forward.
8. Harry Earl Hoyt, born Sept. 30th, 1888, died April 24th, 1923, he married Mildred Condra Sept. 22nd, 1916, one child, Calvin Henderson Hoyt, born April 28th, 1918.

Children of John Minor Estes and Sarah Lucy Hoyt who married March 3rd, 1888.

1. Leila Claude Estes, born Dec. 10th, 1888.
2. Coribel Estes, born Aug. 21st, 1891.
3. John Minor Estes, Jr., born Aug. 8th, 1894.
4. Lucy Boyce Estes, born July 2nd, 1897.
5. Myrtis Elizabeth Estes, born Aug. 25th, 1899, married Ernest Howard. No issue.
6. Mary Louise Estes, born April 24th, 1903. Carried forward.
7. Sarah Ellis, born Nov. 13th, 1911. Carried forward.



Children of Leila Claude Estes and Dr. Evert Edward Clark, married July 31st, 1918.

Lei Evert Clark, born Oct. 20th, 1919.

Evert Edward Clark, Jr., born Oct. 7th, 1923.

Elizabeth Carlisle Clark, born July 9th, 1928.

Children of Coribel Estes and Fred Charlton Mason who married Aug. 29th, 1911;

1. Fred Charlton Mason, Jr., born Aug. 27th, 1912,.

2. Willaim Minor Mason, born Jan. 9th, 1917.

3. Coribel Estes Mason, born April 15th, 1921.

4. Frank Ellis Mason, born April 7th, 1925.

John Minor Estes, Jr., married first, Mildred Peebles, Sept. 20th, 1916. Had issue one son namely;

1. John Minor Estes, born July 17th, 1917.

John Estes married second, Vivian Elnora Schultz, Aug. 1st, 1922; had issue.

2. Vivian Elizabeth Estes, born May 2nd, 1923.

3. Sarah Lucy Estes, born Aug. 17th, 1925.

Sarah Ellis Estes married Langley Palmer Shearer, Nov. 21st, 1927. Had issue:

Langley Palmer Shearer, Jr., born Feb. 1929.

Children of Lucy Boyce Estes and John Walden Crenshaw, who married, Oct. 20th, 1920.

1. Albert Dabney Crenshaw, born Sept, 5th, 1921.

2. John Walden Crenshaw, Jr., born May 17th, 1923.

3. Minor Estes Crenshaw, born Nov. 5th, 1924.

4. Lucy Boyce Crenshaw, born Jan. 21st, 1928.

Children of Mary Louise Estes and Harold Eugene Roland who married, June 23, 1927.

1. Harold Eugene Roland, Jr., born July 7th, 1928.

2. Mary Louise Roland, born Aug. 6th, 1930.

3. Gloria Dawn Roland, born July 27, 1932.





Lovick Richmond Martin and Mary Cornelia Hoyt married Nov. 24th, 1891. She died Sept. 6th, 1913.

Their children are:

1. Hoyt Socrates, born Nov. 6th, 1894, died Feb. 13th, 1896.
2. Peter Kuhl, born Aug. 15th, 1896.
3. Sam Allen, born Aug. 10th, 1897.
4. Julia Celeste, born June 23rd, 1899. Died Oct. 21st, 1924.
5. Wilse Winn, born March 17th, 1901.
6. Lovick Richmond, Jr., born July 8th, 1903.
7. Hettie Boyce, born April 8th, 1905.
8. Cornelia Hoyt, born Nov. 10th, 1908. Died May 31st, 1910.
9. Leila Clark, born Aug. 25th, 1913.

Peter Kuhl Martin (2) married Bonnie Inez Baugh, Nov. 28th, 1917. Had issue;

1. Kathlyn Kuhl Martin, born Sept. 22nd, 1918.
2. Donald Eugene Martin, born Feb. 21st, 1920.
3. Peter Kuhl Martin, Jr., born July 3rd, 1923.
4. Clara Cornelia Martin, born Oct. 26th, 1924.

Sam Allen Martin (3) married Lucile Catherine Byrd, July 2nd, 1917. Had issue;

Georgia Cornelia Martin, born Aug. 26th, 1918.  
died Aug. 28th, 1918.

Sam Allen Martin, born Dec. 2nd, 1921.

Witse Winn Martin (5) married Elizabeth Calhoun Jackson, Sept. 26th, 1928. No issue.

Lovick Richmond Martin, Jr., (6) married Lottie May Lawrence, April 15th, 1927; had issue:

Gloria Joan Martin, born Jan. 4th, 1928.

Samuel Bogle Hoyt, son of Darius Hoyt and Harriet Boyce Carlisle was married to Birdie Williams, on Jan. 29th, 1901. Had issue, two sons.

1. Samuel Bogle Hoyt, Jr., born Feb. 11th, 1903, married ~~Eula~~ Lee Livingston of Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 18th, 1929. They have one child: (Marjorie Ruth Hoyt, born March 16th, 1932)





2. Winfred Carlisle Hoyt, born March 4th, 1905,  
married Agnes Clyde Alexander, Dec. 1st, 1923.  
Their children are;  
Winfred Clyde Hoyt, born Sept. 28th, 1924.  
Kitty Clarisse Hoyt, born July 24th, 1926.  
Thomas Carlisle Hoyt, born April 19th, 1931.

Elizabeth Barrye Hoyt, married Dec. 27th 1906, Donald  
Winfred Wilson, had issue:

1. Elizabeth Eugenia Wilson, born Jan. 4th, 1908,  
died Aug. 13th, 1909.
2. Donald Winfred Wilson, Jr., born Jan. 11th,  
1909.
3. Virginia Boyce Wilson, born April 15th, 1911.
4. Dorothy Hoyt Wilson, born July 29th, 1912,  
died Aug. 15th, 1912.
5. Elwyn Miller Wilson, born Sept. 19th, 1914.
6. Thomas Woodrow Wilson, born Aug. 8th, 1918.
7. Samuel Wyatt Wilson, born Dec. 26th, 1924.

Virginia Boyce Wilson (3) married Aug. 3rd, 1931,  
Fielding Russell. Had issue:  
Fielding Dillard Jr., born Oct. 14th, 1932.



SARAH CORNELIA HOYT  
(wife of William Richard Venable)

Sarah Cornelia Hoyt, daughter of the Rev. Darius Hoyt and his wife, Lucy Mariah Bogle Hoyt, was born November 17th., 1834, in Maryville, Tenn.

While on a visit to her great aunts, the Misses Reid, of Athens, Tenn., she was married March 10th., 1850, to William Richard Venable, changing her place of residence from Maryville, Tenn., to the home of her husband in Atlanta, Ga., where he subsequently occupied the position of the Clerk of the Superior Court of that city continuously for twenty years. All during the War between the States, until General Sherman ordered all the citizens to evacuate, Mrs. Venable remained in Atlanta; being compelled for six weeks during this time to live in a bomb proof. She with her mother, Lucy Bogle Hoyt Payne, belonged to that noble band of patriotic Southern women who never tired helping in the hospitals or wherever there was need. Their gentleness, charity and womanly tenderness won for them respect and love from all with whom they came in contact.

Cornelia Hoyt Venable was a woman whose strength of character, perseverance in all creditable endeavor, indomitable will and unblemished Christian life, enabled her to wield a great influence for the uplift of humanity. Like her Father, the Rev. Darius Hoyt, she ever laid great stress upon self-denial—believing it to be not only obligatory and Christ-like, but likewise the only road to true happiness. No consideration caused her to deviate from the path which duty dictated. It was a maxim of her life and one she frequently recommended to others; "When in doubt as to which course to pursue, take the one which requires the most self-denial."

She was originally a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta, becoming in 1898 a charter member of the North Avenue Presbyterian Church. In 1902 she organized the "Butterfly Club," an association of erstwhile girlhood friends, having for its object social reunions at stated intervals, for the purpose of perpetuating the friendship of the pioneer Matrons of Atlanta, with an emblem symbolic of immortality, and a motto of "Unswerving allegiance the one to the other."

Her daughter, Elizabeth Venable Mason, has given her this beautiful tribute:





"And always, when I looked in her dear eyes, Sidney Lanier's lines came back to me:

"Thronged like two dove-cotes of gray doves,  
With wife's and mother's and poor folks' loves,  
And home-loves and light-glory loves,  
And science-loves and story-loves.

And loves for all that God and man  
In art and nature make and plan.  
And lady-loves for spidery lace  
And 'broideries and supple grace.

And diamonds and the whole sweet-round  
Of littles that large life' compound,  
And loves for God and God's bare truth,  
And loves for Magdalene and Ruth.

Dear eyes, dear eyes, and rare complete,  
Being heavenly-sure and earthly sweet,  
I marvel that God made you mine,  
For when He frowns 'tis then ye shine."

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LUCY MARIAH BOGLE  
(wife of Reverend Darius Hoyt)

Lucinda (Lucy) Mariah Bogle, daughter of Robert Bogle and his wife, Anna Reid, was born Sept. 19, 1809. She was known as the "beautiful Lucy Bogle" of Blount County, East Tennessee. On May 3, 1827, she was married to the Rev. Darius Hoyt, professor of Greek and Latin in the Theological Seminary at Maryville, Tenn.

The following incidents in the life of Lucy Bogle Hoyt were related by her daughter, Sarah Cornelia Hoyt Venable:

"One of the most picturesque events of Lucy Hoyt's life was her bridal tour to Willstown Mission (near Fort Payne, Alabama), the Indian Mission founded and occupied by the parents of her husband. The young bride and groom started on their wedding journey on horseback, for in 1827, there were no roads, only Indian trails. Through labyrinths of leafy bowers and gospeling





glooms, with the song of birds, the coo of the wood dove to her mate, or the soft tread of a deer, they wended their way through these woodland paths deep in the heart of nature. Little wonder that with their hearts aflame with love's young dream 'lingering to survey the promised joys of life's unmeasured way,' they lost their path. At nightfall, the peace and serenity of the day was replaced by the howling of wolves. Suddenly the horses refused to go further. Campfires were lighted to keep the wolves away. At dawn they found themselves at a point of a precipice (which fact the horses instinctively had known) opposite Missionary Ridge at the foot of which was the mission and home of Darius Hoyt's parents.

"Lucy Bogle Hoyt often spoke of the time 'when the stars fell. The meteoric shower to which she referred was the most brilliant ever known and occurred on Nov. 13, 1833. It was estimated that hundreds of thousands of shooting stars fell in two or three hours.

"In 1847, after the death of her husband, she changed her place of residence from Tennessee to Atlanta, (then called Marthasville), Georgia. In 1852, she married Edwin Payne. She was a charter member of the First Presbyterian Church and a consecrated Sunday School teacher until the year of her death. During the Civil War, she was one of the members of the hospital committee, and in this capacity, rendered valuable assistance to the sick and wounded Confederate Soldiers. As 'Grandmother Payne,' she was known far and wide as the most saintly woman in Atlanta; in the homes of sickness and poverty, she was ever a ministering angel. She never lost an opportunity of doing for others and was known never to have criticized a human being. No matter how degraded a person might be, she found the good, the soul-light, that is in each of God's creatures. Although at one time she was a woman of means, sufficient to have provided her with every necessity during her lifetime, her kindness and unceasing generosity left her impoverished to a great extent.

"An incident that illustrates her charity and self-sacrifice occurred on a wintry day when the snow was on the ground. A woman in distress came barefooted to the door. Grandmother Payne, having but one pair of heavy shoes, unhesitatingly gave them to her. Later in the day, she was summoned to a home nearby where all



the family were sick in bed. With her feet clad in bedroom slippers, she gladly trudged through the snow, carrying food to them, forgetful of self in the pleasure of doing for others!

In her heart was the "peace that passeth all understanding," the joy that wells up in the soul from an intense love for all around her, and a determination through the grace of Christ, and in imitation of His example, to devote her life at whatever self-sacrifice, to the great work of helping humanity.

Her death occurred on May 20, 1888, she was interred at Oakland Cemetery, Atlanta, Georgia.

























